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6. To sum up: The Board is of opinion that before Government commits itself to any other method of promoting irrigation by pumping with electrical or mechanical appliances, the first essential is as adequate and complete a survey of the surface and sub-soil water-supply as is possible.

## APPENDIX II.

[Vide item X on page 71 supra.]

### BILL No. 1 OF 1928

### A BILL FURTHER TO AMEND THE MADRAS CHILDREN ACT, 1920.

#### Report of the Select Committee.

To

THE HONOURABLE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
OF THE GOVERNOR OF MADRAS.

WE, the undersigned members of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill further to amend the Madras Children Act, 1920 (Bill No. 1 of 1928), have the honour to submit the following report.

2. The Bill was published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* in English on the 17th January 1928, in Tamil, Telugu and Kanarese on the 24th January 1928, and in Malayalam, Hindustani and Oriya on the 31st January 1928.

3. The Committee met on Saturday the 4th February 1928 and examined the provisions of the Bill.

4. They agree to the provisions of the Bill; but to improve the drafting, they would recommend that for

clause 2 of the Bill, the following clause may be substituted:

“2. For sub-section (2) of section 35 of the Madras Children Act, 1920, the following sub-sections shall be substituted:—

(2) The Local Government may order—

(a) a youthful offender under the age of fourteen years detained in a senior certified school to be transferred to a junior certified school;

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(b) a youthful offender or child to be transferred from one senior certified school to another, or from one junior certified school to another ;

(c) a child over the age of twelve years detained in a junior certified school to be transferred to a senior certified school,

(i) when such transfer is for the welfare of the child, or

(ii) when the child is found to be exercising an evil influence over any other child or children in the school or is guilty of a serious breach of the rules of the school or of escaping from the school ;

(d) a youthful offender over the age of fourteen years detained in a junior certified school to be transferred to a senior certified school when a majority of the other children in the junior certified school are much below his age, or when there is not sufficient accommodation in the junior certified school ;

(e) a youthful offender over the age of sixteen years detained in a senior certified school to be transferred to a Borstal school established under the Madras Borstal Schools Act, 1925, in the interest of discipline or for other special reasons.

Madras Act  
V of 1926.

(3) Upon the transfer of a youthful offender to a Borstal school under clause (e) of sub-section (2) above the provisions of the Madras Borstal Schools Act, 1925, shall apply to such offender as if he had been originally sentenced to detention in a Borstal school under that Act.

(4) The total period of detention of the youthful offender or child shall not be increased by any transfer under this section."

5. A copy of the Bill as amended by the Committee is appended. The Committee consider it unnecessary to republish the Bill as no material alterations have been made in it.

M. KRISHNAN NAIR.

MD. USMAN.

T. R. V. SASTRI.

J. A. SALDANHA.

S. ARPUDASWAMY UDAYAR.

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[Note.—The changes made by the Select Committee are printed in clarendon type]

BILL No. 1 OF 1928.

*A Bill further to amend the Madras Children Act, 1920.*

WHEREAS it is expedient to further amend the Madras Children Act, 1920, and whereas the previous sanction of the Governor-General has been obtained to the passing of this Act; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Madras Children (Amendment) Act, 1928.

2. For sub-section (2) of section 35 of the Madras Children Act, 1920, the following sub-sections shall be substituted:—

“(2) The Local Government may order

“(a) a youthful offender under the age of fourteen years detained in a senior certified school to be transferred to a junior certified school;

“(b) a youthful offender or child to be transferred from one senior certified school to another, or from one junior certified school to another;

“(c) a child over the age of twelve years detained in a junior certified school to be transferred to a senior certified school,

(i) when such transfer is for the welfare of the child, or

(ii) when the child is found to be exercising an evil influence over any other child or children in the school or is guilty of a serious breach of the rules of the school or of escaping from the school;

“(d) a youthful offender over the age of fourteen years detained in a junior certified school to be transferred to a senior certified school when a majority of the other children in the junior certified school are much below his age, or when there is not sufficient accommodation in the junior certified school;

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“(3) Upon the transfer of a youthful offender to a Borstal school under clause (e) of sub-section (2) above, the provisions of the Madras Borstal Schools Act, 1925, shall apply to such offender as if he had been originally sentenced to detention in a Borstal school under that Act.

“(4) The total period of detention of the youthful offender or child shall not be increased by any transfer under this section.”

### APPENDIX III.

[Vide item XI on page 72 supra.]

To

THE HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF THE  
MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WE, the Members of the Select Committee appointed on 21st October 1927 to consider certain draft amendments to the Standing Orders of the Council given notice of by the Advocate-General, beg to submit the following report.

2. We met at 11 a.m. on Thursday the 3rd November 1927 and again at 5-10 p.m. on Monday the 23rd January 1928. The amendments are considered below *seriatim*.

3. *Amendment to Standing Order 9 (1).*—Add the following at the end of Standing Order 9 (1):—

“Such notices may be left at the Council Office even when the Council is not in session or has not been constituted. The notices may also be left by a member, elected or nominated, even before he is sworn in.”

We accept this amendment but would shorten its language as follows:—

“Such notices may be left at the Council Office even when the Council is not in session or by a member even before he is sworn in.”

4. *Amendments to Standing Orders 37 and 38.*—  
I. “Add the following as clause (2) of Standing Order 37 and number the existing Standing Order as clause (1) of that Standing Order:

“(2) If the Council agrees to such a motion, the Secretary shall send a copy of the Bill to Government in the Law (Legislative) Department for publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.”